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In RE:

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Title of Invention:

**Pennant Tape** 

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Examiner:
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## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Dear Sir:

Your Office Action of May 2, 2006 is hereby acknowledged. Prior to that Office Action, claims 1-17 were pending, and are currently pending in the Present Application. In your Office Action, claims 1-5, 7, and 12-15 were finally rejected by the Examiner, and claims 6, 8-11, and 16-17 were objected to by him. Claim 1 is the only independent claim, and all other claims depend directly or indirectly from claim 1. The Examiner stated the reason for the claim objections is that they are dependent upon rejected base claim 1, but that they contain otherwise allowable material if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The objectionable claims recite structures that cover all of the embodiments described in the drawings. The Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for offering to allow these claims. However, the Applicant believes that his invention, as described in the specification and drawings, is entitled to broader protection.